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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97, §1.98, applicant is providing herewith copies of the supplementary items listed on the attached U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Form PTO 1449. If this application was filed prior to June 30, 2003, a copy of each publication listed on Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith. This information is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449 filed in the above-referenced case on January 4, 2004.

The submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 is not an admission that the art cited is "prior" with respect to the present invention, nor is it a representation that no better art exists. Applicants hereby reserve the right to swear behind or otherwise disprove any alleged "prior" nature of any art cited should the facts support and the situation warrant such an action.

It is submitted that the art cited does not constitute a bar to the patentability of Applicants' invention under 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

No Office Action on the merits has been received in the present application. Nonetheless, in the event that an Office Action dated prior to the mailing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement has been issued, please charge Deposit Account 03-2769, Conley Rose, P.C., in the amount of \$180, so that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement may be considered under Rule 1.97(c).

Each item provided herewith was first cited in the PCT International Search Report for PCT/US03/36055 dated 23 June 2004 which is a foreign counterpart application of the above-styled matter.

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